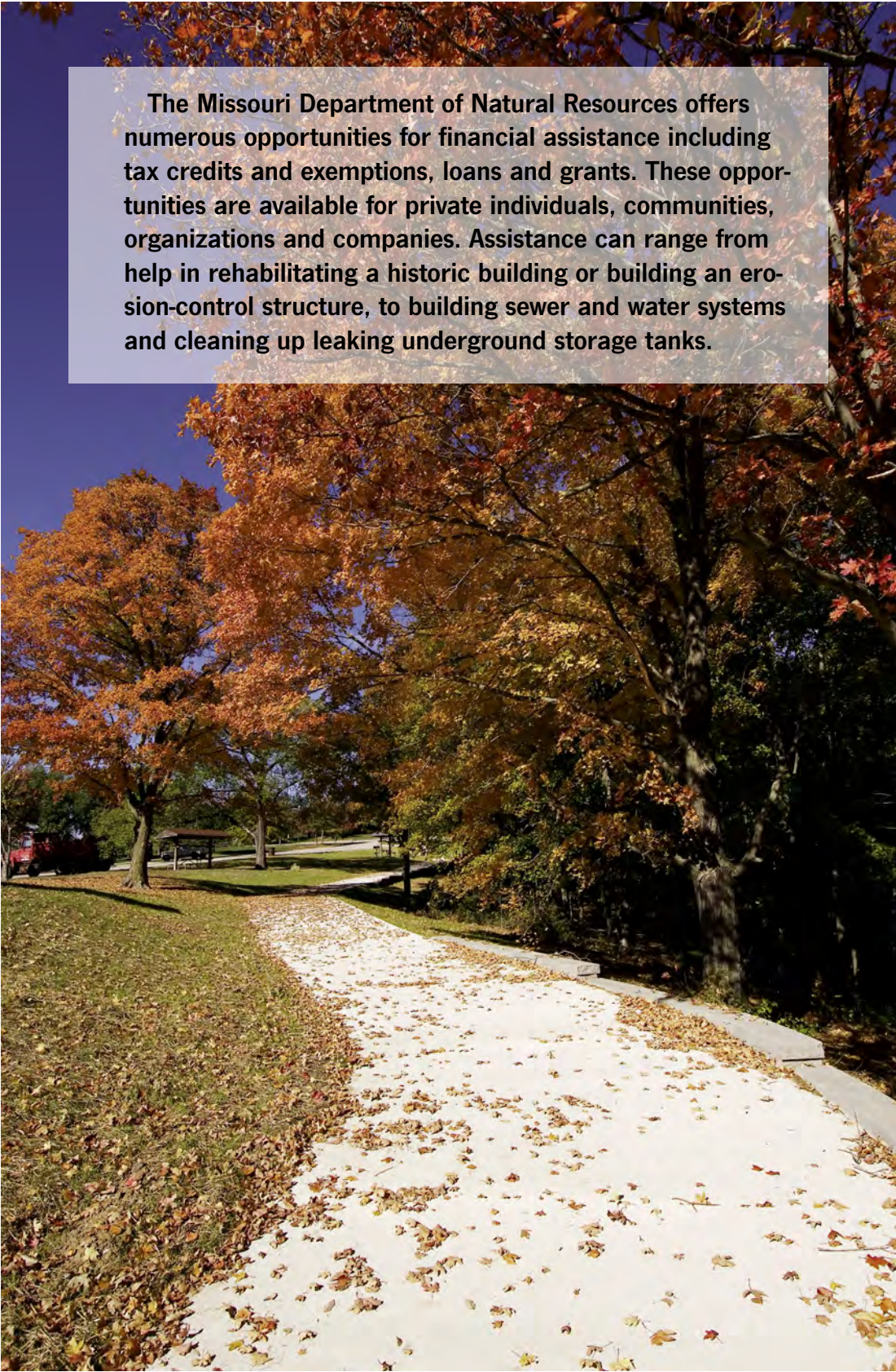


Financial Assistance Opportunities



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DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES



The Missouri Department of Natural Resources offers numerous opportunities for financial assistance including tax credits and exemptions, loans and grants. These opportunities are available for private individuals, communities, organizations and companies. Assistance can range from help in rehabilitating a historic building or building an erosion-control structure, to building sewer and water systems and cleaning up leaking underground storage tanks.

For more information about the financial opportunities listed in this brochure, call the department toll-free at 800-361-4827, or email us at: [contact @dnr.mo.gov](mailto:contact@dnr.mo.gov)



Air Quality

- **Air Pollution Control Sales Tax Exemption**

Businesses may claim sales tax exemptions for equipment or devices designed and used solely for preventing, abating or monitoring air pollution. These may include machinery that analyzes emissions, controls air pollution from refrigerants or helps reduce air pollution in other ways.

For any purchases since August, 28, 2008, claimants may utilize the Department of Revenue's Form 149, Exemption Certificate. Claimants must complete Form 149 and issue it to the seller.

Contact: Missouri Department of Revenue 573-751-3505 or visit dor.mo.gov/business/sales/hb1670.php

- **Charcoal Producers Income Tax Credit**

Charcoal income tax credits expired in 2006 and existing balances must be redeemed by 2012. Companies engaging in the business of producing charcoal or charcoal products in the state of Missouri could have claimed an income tax credit for the purpose of implementing safe and efficient environmental controls. The income tax credit equaled up to 50 percent of the purchase price or manufacturing cost of the best available control technology equipment for the purpose of reducing air emissions from charcoal-producing facilities.

Contact: Air Pollution Control Program 573-751-4817



Water Quality

- **Drinking Water Operator Training Voucher Program**

Provides drinking water training vouchers to community and non-transient, non-community drinking water systems serving 3,300 or less. Vouchers can be used for fees associated with drinking water operator certification, including operator examinations, renewal certificates and voucher-approved drinking water training. More than 1,500 public water systems in Missouri qualify for the program. This represents more than 85 percent of all public water systems in the state.

Contact: [Public Drinking Water Branch](#) 573-751-1600

- **Nonpoint Source (NPS) Animal Waste Treatment Facility Loan Program**

Low-interest state revolving fund loans are available from DNR through the Missouri Agriculture and Small Business Development Authority (MASDBA) to small producers and farmers for design and construction of animal waste treatment facilities and application of best management practices. Applications are obtained from the MASDBA for 100 percent of eligible costs. Loan interest rates are at 5.3 to 5.8 percent.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#) 573-751-1300 or [MASBDA](#) 573-751-2129

- **Nonpoint Source (NPS) Minigrants**

General guidelines are the same as NPS Project Grants; however, project length may not exceed two years. The maximum available grant is \$10,000 with a nonfederal match of 40 percent of total project cost required. There is no application deadline and awards are made semi-annually, in April and October.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#) 573-751-1300



- **Nonpoint Source Project Grants**

Grants are available to public institutions of higher education, units of government and nonprofit organizations with 501(c) (3) status for the prevention, control or abatement of nonpoint source water pollution projects. Research or activities required under discharge permits are not eligible. Project length may be up to four years. Awards are made annually and typically range from \$5,000 to \$1 million.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#) 573-751-1300

- **Nonpoint Source Watershed Management Plan Grants**

Nonpoint Source Watershed Management Plan Grants have the same general guidelines as Nonpoint Source Project Grants. Grant funds are available in this program to specifically develop a watershed management plan addressing EPA's nine critical planning elements to restore waters impaired by nonpoint source pollution. Project length may be up to two years. The maximum available for grants is \$30,000 with a nonfederal match of 40 percent of the total project cost required. There is no application deadline and awards are made three times a year in February, June and September.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#) 573-751-1300

- **Water Quality Management Planning Grants**

Grants are available to assist the state, regional public comprehensive planning organizations and interstate organizations to carry out water quality management planning. Funds are used to determine the nature and extent of point and nonpoint source pollution and to develop management plans to solve them with an emphasis on a watershed approach. Project length may be up to three years with awards typically ranging from \$30,000 to \$100,000. There is no match requirement.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#) 573-751-1300

- **Private Water Company Bond Financing Program**

Bond financing is available through the Missouri Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority (EIERA) for private water companies to assist in the construction of water delivery systems and wastewater treatment facilities.

The amounts are based on the ability to repay debt and subject to allocation of private activity bonds. The program has an open application period.

Contact: [Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority](#) 573-751-4919



- **Small Borrowers Program – Clean Water and Drinking Water**

This program makes low-interest loans to municipalities and water districts that serve 1,000 or fewer people and wish to borrow \$100,000 or less. The maximum loan term is 20-year term. The interest subsidy is the same as the state revolving fund loan program.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#) 573-751-1300

- **State Revolving Fund (SRF) Leveraged Loan Program Drinking Water**

Subsidized loans are available to any community water system and nonprofit noncommunity water system not federally owned for construction of drinking water facilities. Amounts are based on the ability to repay debt. The application deadline is Nov. 15. Loan is administered jointly with the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority, the Clean Water Commission and the Safe Drinking Water Commission.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#) 573-751-1300

- **State Revolving Fund (SRF), Leveraged Loan Program – Wastewater**

Subsidized loans are available to any political subdivision of the state for the construction of wastewater treatment facilities. Amounts are based on ability to repay debt. The application deadline is Nov. 15. The program is administered jointly with the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority (EIERA) and Clean Water Commission.

Contact: [Water Protection Program](#)
573-751-1300

- **Water Pollution Equipment Sales Tax Exemption**

This is a tax incentive program that is available to individuals, corporations or any public entity that purchases machinery, equipment, appliances and devices used solely for the purpose of preventing, abating or monitoring water pollution. Qualifying equipment, devices, etc., would be exempt from state sales tax.

Contact: [Missouri Department of Revenue](#) 573-751-5895





Solid Waste Management & Recycling

- **Scrap Tire Surfacing Material Grants**

Scrap Tire Surfacing Material Grants are made available for the cost and delivery of scrap tire material for playgrounds, running tracks, walking trails or other surfacing projects approved by the department. Those eligible to submit applications include public schools, some private schools, parks, nonprofit day care centers, other not-for-profit organizations, and governmental organizations other than state agencies. Eligible applicants may request funding for mats or pour-in-place material up to \$20,000, while those requesting loose material may request up to \$10,000. Note: In keeping with the Americans with Disabilities Act rules, preference will be given to applicants requesting rubber mats or pour-in-place materials. Grant application packages are available from the department's website dnr.mo.gov/env/swmp/tires/tirefinassistance.htm or by mail annually in October. Completed application packages are due to the department by a January date detailed in the application instructions. A portion of the revenue generated from the 50-cent fee collected on the sale of new tires in Missouri funds these grants. As a condition of award, all grant recipients are required to purchase scrap tire material from manufacturers whose scrap tire material contains at least 40 percent Missouri generated scrap tires. Total funds available for Scrap Tire Surfacing Material Grant Awards is determined annually based on the revenue generated from new tire sales in Missouri. Since reauthorization of the tire fee in 2009, on average \$200,000 per year has been awarded. All grant awards are subject to the state of Missouri's legislative appropriations process, available funds, and authorization for the projects by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

Contact: Solid Waste Management Program 573-751-5401

- **Scrap Tire Cleanup by Nonprofit Groups**

The department is authorized to reimburse fraternal, charitable or other nongovernmental, nonprofit organizations for disposal costs of scrap tires collected during voluntary cleanups of land and water resources. These funds are only available for disposal costs of the scrap tires. Other costs associated with disposal of other wastes collected

as part of these projects are not eligible for reimbursement from these funds. Nonprofit organizations wishing to participate must complete an application and obtain authorization prior to the cleanup event. Additional information including the required application forms and instructions are available on the department's website at dnr.mo.gov/env/swmp/tires/tirecost.htm or can be requested by contacting the program. All reimbursements for cleanups are subject to the state of Missouri's legislative appropriations process, available funds, and authorization for the projects by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

Contact: Solid Waste Management Program
573-751-5401

• **Missouri Market Development Program**

The department, through a statutory \$800,000 allocation of solid waste tonnage fees, funds this program established in 1990 by the Missouri General Assembly. The Missouri Market Development Program promotes the development of markets for recovered materials and recycled content products throughout Missouri by providing financial and technical assistance to businesses, governments and other organizations. The program may fund up to 75 percent of specific equipment costs with a maximum funding level of \$50,000. Eligible expenses include only the purchase of manufacturing equipment and machinery to manufacture products that contain recovered materials, other than internal or mill-broke. Equipment purchased for the final processing of recovered materials to be used by others in the manufacture of recycled content products is also eligible. Technical assistance is provided through the program to businesses, governments and other organizations to increase the use of recovered materials in manufacturing, marketing and purchasing. Technical assistance increases the competition of business through sales increase, cost savings, capital investment and jobs created or retained. Additional information including the required application forms and instructions are available on the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority's website at www.dnr.mo.gov/eiera/mo-market-dev-program.htm

Contact: EIERA Market Development Program
573-751-4919

• **Solid Waste Management District Grants**

The department provides grant funding to Missouri's 20 solid waste management districts to fund their operations and community-based waste reduction, reuse, composting and recycling projects. These funds are provided from solid waste tonnage fee collections averaging \$7 million per year, and can be used for district administration costs or implementation of a solid waste management plan (not more than 50 percent of funds provided to the district) and for city and county grants (at least 50 percent of funds provided to the district). Local governments, small and large businesses, schools, sheltered workshops and individuals may seek and be awarded grants by



their regional solid waste management district to support activities to remove materials from the waste stream and return them for beneficial reuse. Additional information about the solid waste management district nearest you can be found on the department's website at dnr.mo.gov/env/swmp/swmd/swmdinfo.htm

Contact: Solid Waste Management Program 573-751-5401

Soil and Land Management

- **Soil and Water Conservation Cost-Share Program**

The Cost-Share Program reimburses landowners for voluntarily implementing practices on agricultural land that prevent or control erosion and nutrient or pesticide runoff. These efforts help protect the water resources of the state. This program is funded by the parks, soils and water sales tax. The application is ongoing, and administered through local Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Contact: Your county's Soil and Water Conservation District, or the Soil and Water Conservation Program 573-751-4932



Historic Preservation and Recreation

- **Historic Building Rehabilitation Tax Credits**

Federal and state investment tax credits are available for the rehabilitation of historic buildings. A 20 percent federal tax credit can be used for the rehabilitation of income-producing historic buildings. Missouri provides a 25 percent state tax credit for the rehabilitation of income-producing historic buildings. Owner-occupied historic residences also qualify for the Missouri credit. The state credits are administered by the Missouri Department of Economic Development and the State Historic Preservation Office while the federal credits are administered by the State Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service.

Contact: State Historic Preservation Office 573-751-7860

- **Historic Preservation Fund**

Federal matching grants are available annually for the identification, evaluation, registration and protection of cultural resources. These grants, which are funded at a 60 percent grant share/40 percent local matching share, generally do not exceed \$25,000. Historic Preservation Fund grant applications become available in June of each year with applications due at the end of August.

Contact: State Historic Preservation Office
573-751-7860



- **Land and Water Conservation Fund**

Federally funded grants are available to local government and school districts to be used for renovation, development of outdoor recreation facilities and land acquisition. Project site will be held in perpetuity to be used for public outdoor recreation use. The program requires a minimum match of 55 percent.

Contact: Chris Buckland, Grants Management Section 573-751-0848

- **Recreational Trails Program**

Federally funded grants are available to trail organizations, local governments, schools, businesses and for-profit/nonprofit organizations for trail construction, maintenance and education. The program requires a minimum match of 20 percent.

Contact: Chris Buckland, Grants Management Section 573-751-0848

Hazardous Waste

- **Petroleum Storage Tank Cleanup Assistance**

Owners and operators of properties contaminated by leaking petroleum storage tanks may be eligible for monies from the Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund for cleanup costs. Certain restrictions apply, and the owner or operator must pay the first \$10,000 of eligible cleanup costs.

Contact: Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund 800-765-2765

- **Drycleaning Environmental Response Trust Fund**

The Drycleaning Environmental Response Trust, or DERT, Fund is a state fund and is administered by the Hazardous Waste Program according to rules published by the Hazardous Waste Management Commission. The DERT Fund provides funding (up to \$1,000,000) for the investigation, assessment and cleanup of releases of chlorinated solvents from eligible dry cleaning facilities. Operators of an active dry cleaning facility are required to register with the department and pay an annual registration surcharge. The owner or operator of the dry cleaning facility will be liable for the first \$25,000 of eligible corrective action costs. Funds are distributed on a reimbursement basis for pre-approved work.

Contact: Drycleaning Environmental Trust Fund
573-751-3176



- **Brownfield Assessments Program**

The Brownfields Voluntary Cleanup Program offers Brownfields site-specific assessments of properties for public entities such as cities, counties and quasi-governmental entities, as well as for nonprofit organizations. The site-specific assessment program can provide assessments at no cost to the applicants. The assessments provide answers to many of the questions regarding potential cleanup costs and environmental liability associated with brownfield properties. It is valuable information that can aid in making decisions regarding the future of the property.

Contact: Brownfields Voluntary Cleanup Program 573-751-3176

- **Voluntary Cleanup Program**

Financial incentives are available for some sites participating in the Voluntary Cleanup Program. Incentives are offered and administered by other agencies in cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources. The incentives can take the form of grants, loans and tax credits. They are available for sites that are enrolled in the department's Voluntary Cleanup Program.

- **Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund**

Provides loans and sub-grants to support cleanup activities for sites contaminated with petroleum and hazardous substances. Sub-grants are limited to political subdivisions and nonprofit corporations. The program is particularly interested in projects that will positively impact smaller communities, both rural and suburban. Certain federal restrictions apply and parties responsible for contamination are not eligible. Eligible sites are required to enroll in the Voluntary Cleanup Program. The loan program is administered by the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority.

Contact: **EIERA 573 751-4919**

- **Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority (EIERA)**

Provides low-interest loans and subgrants to eligible participants to support cleanup activities for sites that contain contamination with petroleum and hazardous substances.

Contact: **573-751-4919 or visit www.dnr.mo.gov/eiera**

- **Missouri Department of Economic Development**

The Brownfield Redevelopment Program provides financial incentives for the redevelopment of commercial or industrial sites that are contaminated with hazardous substances and have been abandoned or underutilized for at least three years. These incentives, in the form of state tax credits, are available to the eligible participant that is paying the remediation costs. One-hundred percent of the environmental cleanup costs are recoverable. The tax credits may be carried forward for 20 years or they may be sold.

Contact **573-522-8004 or visit www.missouridevelopment.org (Search for brownfields using the link in the upper right corner of the page).**

Energy Conservation and Efficiency

- **Energy Efficiency Revolving Loans**

Eligible applicants are K-12 school districts, city and county governments and public colleges and universities interested in increasing the energy efficiency of their buildings and reducing utility costs. These loans can finance part or all of the costs associated with efficiency projects in existing or new buildings. Loans are repaid from energy cost savings. Some restrictions apply to eligible projects and repayment terms. The Leveraged Loan Program is administered jointly with the Energy Center and the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority (EIERA).

Contact: **Division of Energy 573-751-7466**

- **Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Grants**

Eligible applicants are low income elderly and physically disadvantaged residents. The grants provide long-lasting improvements to people's homes such as insulation, caulking, weather-stripping or heating system improvement or replacement. The program funds implementation, technical expertise and training to help residents spend less of their income on energy costs. Applications are submitted through local community action agencies located in all Missouri counties.

Contact: Division of Energy 573-751-8386

General Financial Assistance

- **Agriculture Loan Program**

Loans are available to individual farmers for animal waste treatment facilities. This program is administered jointly by the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture.

Contact: Missouri Department of Agriculture 573-751-2129

- **Cooperative Remonumentation Program**

Contracts are arranged with county commissions to remonument corners of the U.S. Public Land Survey System. The department pays a set amount per corner. County must have a county surveyor to do the actual monumentation. Requested due date annually on or before July 15.

Contact: State Surveyor 573-368-2300

- **County Boundary Resurvey Program**

Contracts are arranged with county commissions to remonument county boundary lines where the location of the line is indefinite. The department contracts for and pays the entire cost of surveying and monumentation subject to appropriations.

Contact: State Surveyor 573-368-2300

- **Geodetic Control Densification Project**

Contracts are arranged with county, city government and municipal utilities to establish horizontal and vertical



control monuments used for mapping and the development of a land survey information system. The department provides all work for a fixed amount per project. This amount is negotiated at approximately one-third of the estimated total one-time cost of the entire project.

Contact: **State Surveyor 573-368-2300**

- **Hazardous Substance Emergency Relief Loan Fund**

Loans are available to political subdivisions or volunteer fire protection associations for reimbursement of actual costs incurred in responding to a hazardous substance emergency.

Contact: **Environmental Services Program 573-526-3384**

- **Leaking Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Assistance**

The Underground Storage Tank Fund can assist the responsible party with the cleanup costs at eligible sites with pre-approved plans and costs. The responsible party must pay the first \$10,000 of eligible costs and the fund may cover additional costs.

Contact: **Hazardous Waste Management Program 573-751-3176**

- **Local Government Reimbursement Program**

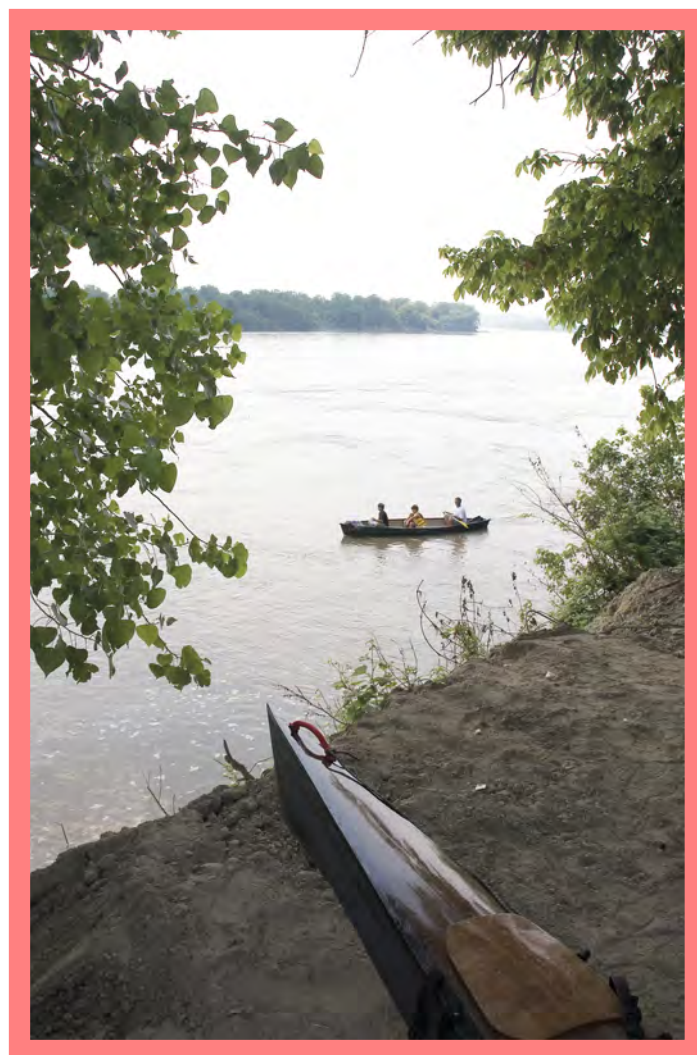
Local communities can be reimbursed up to \$25,000 for costs incurred in responding to a hazardous substance emergency. Request for reimbursement must be for response costs and services provided that were not budgeted, e.g. contractor cost, disposal cost, etc. This does not include incidents involving only petroleum or petroleum-related products.

Contact: **U.S. EPA, Local Government Reimbursement Helpline 800-431-9209**

- **Private Activity Bond Financing**

Issuance of tax-exempt and taxable revenue bonds in cooperation with the Department of Economic Development for private and public companies for certain facilities and improvements with environmental and energy resource impacts. These projects must meet the Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority's (EIERA) statutory requirements as well as all applicable federal and state tax law provisions.

Contact: **Environmental Improvement and Energy Resources Authority 573-751-4919**





Discover related financial assistance opportunities with the following agencies:

- Missouri Department of Economic Development
 - Business Programs 573-522-2790
 - Community Programs 573-522-6155
- Missouri Department of Agriculture 573-751-2129
- Missouri Department of Conservation 573-751-4115



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